Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 23 Dec 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 24 Dec 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 22 Dec 2023 at 16:14

Confidence: High confidence for a continuation of windy conditions over Christmas, winds easing for Boxing day. Confidence is lower for amount of showers and rainfall over the weekend. Perhaps a colder spell around the 27th December.

Headline for Saturday 23 Dec 2023: Outbreaks of rain, more frequent in the west, perhaps drier during the middle of the day but widespread gales likely, often poor visibility.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 23 Dec 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Medium Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Dull	Drizzle	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability							
20%	30%	40%	30%	30%	20%	30%	70%

Forecast for Saturday 23 Dec 2023

Weather: Light rain at times early on Saturday but easing and becoming light and patchy through daylight hours. Remaining overcast and quite dull with gales throughout the day, perhaps the odd brighter spell towards the east. Heavier rain will return on Saturday evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 60% decreasing to 30% during the afternoon. Low cloud due to rain.

Low cloud and visibility: Low cloud will affect the area for much of the day becoming more extensive during the afternoon. Scattered layers of broken cloud above 500m can be expected in the west, perhaps a few breaks further east during the morning. Visibility will also be moderate or poor at times during rain with limited views expected at height.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	27/35 W	27/36 W	29/39 W	29/39 W	30/41 W	30/40 W	32/44 W	34/46 SW	32/44 SW
300	14/29 W	15/33 W	16/34 W	17/34 W	18/36 W	19/37 W	20/39 W	21/42 SW	19/40 SW
Valley	14/29 W	14/32 W	15/32 W	16/33 W	17/35 W	18/38 W	19/40 W	20/41 SW	17/38 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	5/-1	6/0	6/-0	6/-0	6/-0	6/1	7/1	7/2	8/3
300	7/4	8/4	8/4	8/4	8/4	8/5	8/4	9/5	10/6
Valley	8/5	9/5	8/5	8/5	9/6	9/6	9/5	9/6	10/7
Freezing Level*	1400m	1500m	1400m	1400m	1900m	2300m	2400m	2700m	3100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Another very windy day with gales at height. Feeling cold in rain and very strong winds.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
15:00 on Fri 22 Dec 2023	2.6mm	6.4mm	8.2mm

Forecast for Sunday 24 Dec 2023

Weather: A wet morning expected with some persistent rain, heavy at times, but turning lighter during the afternoon. Strong winds expected again. Gales on the higher ground making progress difficult.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly 30-35mph with gusts 45-50mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 30% increasing to 60% during the day.

Low cloud and visibility: Broken or overcast cloud layers above 400m will lift and clear later in the day, perhaps thickening and lowering in showers or any longer periods of rain. Visibility will be moderate or poor initially but will be good out with showers later.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 12 Celsius.
At 600m: Plus 8 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above all summits.

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